



## FLWEMS Paramedic Procedural Information For:

### **ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT SKILLS**

(ALS Skills)

#### **General**

With the exception of ALS skills listed in the "Exceptions" segment below, all ALS skills practiced by the FLWEMS Paramedics shall be done IAW those references named below.

Unless otherwise ordered by Medical Control all ALS skills listed below shall be performed IAW those references named below.

All references named below shall be maintained by FLWEMS Supervisory Paramedic.

#### **Reference(s)**

BRADY'S © Paramedic Care: Principles & Practice, Volumes 1 – 5

BRADY'S © Paramedic Skills Manual, Second Edition

Mosby's © Nursing Drug Reference, 2005

Textbook of Military Medicine, Part I – Medical Concepts of the Chemical & Biological Warfare

USAMRIID, Medical Management of Biological Casualties Handbook, Sixth Edition, April 2005

USAMRICD, Medical Management of Chemical Casualties Handbook, Third Edition

American Heart Associations Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) & Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) guidelines

National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS) guidelines

American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) Pediatric Basic Trauma Life Support (PBTLS) guidelines

American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) Basic Trauma Life Support (BTLS) guidelines

Emergency Nursing Association's Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC)

US Army CDTF SOP Manual

<http://www.nursesprdr.com/members/database/>

U.S. National Library of Medicine

#### **ALS Skills Included**

- Advanced Airway Adjuncts (Oral Endotracheal, Intubation, Laryngeal Mask Airway, Oropharyngeal, Nasal Endotracheal Intubation, Pharyngeal-Tracheal Lumen Airway (PTL), Non Surgical Cricothyroidotomy Device (*PerTrach* or *QuickTrach* Device) & Surgical Cricothyroidotomy)
- Percutaneous Transtacheal Jet Insufflation
- Intravenous Access
- Intraosseous Access
- Umbilical Intravenous Access
- Intramuscular Injections
- Subcutaneous Injections
- Intravenous Medication Pushes
- Intravenous Medication Infusions (Piggy-Backs, Pumps, etc.)
- Blood Product Administration
- Electro-Cardiac Pacing
- Electro-Cardiac Cardioversion
- Electro-Cardiac Defibrillation
- Oral Gastric Tube Placement
- Nasal Gastric Tube Placement
- Thoracentesis (Needle Decompression)

#### **Exceptions**

- CPAP – Adult
- MVP-10 Ventilator Operations
- Pertrach

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**Documentation**

Documentation of ALS skills procedures will not be required in FLWEMS Patient Care Run Reports unless said procedure has been performed in a method that deviates from the text guidance referenced above.

**END OF INFORMATION – NOTHING FOLLOWS**